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The women of Greenspring held their annual potluck and charity collection on December 15. Ten women from the neighborhood shared good food and fellowship. They collected 20 wrapped boxes and Christmas decorations for the women and children at the Family Crisis Center in Hyattsville. From right, Janice Davis, Regina Small, Eulalie Lucas, Pinky Lake, Maxine Strong, Rosezina Rogers, Brenda Velez, Beth Morrison and Sabrina McIntyre. Elena Bishop is kneeling in front.

Julie McHale, of Many Hats, Retires After 33 Fun Years

by Matthew Arbach

Julie McHale, director of the Greenbelt Recreation Department, is retiring at the end of the year after a 33-year career. During that time she has worn many hats, won many distinctions and developed many enriching programs for the old and young. She has seen the department and its recreational facilities grow tremendously over that period. She declared that Greenbelt is "a very unique community," and its "employees are very passionate. People don't leave. It's a great place to work."

She began her career with the Recreation Department as a college intern in the summer of 1985. In the fall of 1985 she was hired full-time as a recreation



Retiring Recreation Department Director Julie McHale

coordinator. In that role, she was responsible for creating new programs, recruiting new staff and

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Council Amends Ordinances On Campaigns, Wireless

by Gary Childs

The actions of candidates for Greenbelt elected offices are governed by a series of rules and regulations contained in the city's election code. As amended at the December 10 regular meeting, the City of Greenbelt's election code now allows for election judges, the city clerk and the Board of Elections to impose fines for election code violations. The council also enlarged Greenbelt's election board and amended Chapters 5 and 18 of the city code to give the city rules and regulations to govern the placement of mobile network infrastructure.

Election Issues

Before voting in favor of the various campaign and election board amendments, council dis-

cussed certain aspects of the issues at hand. For example, while discussing the ability, under the amended ordinance, of election judges to impose fines, the point was made that Greenbelt's rule that electioneering cannot happen any closer than 150 feet from the polls is three times the 50 feet allowed by the state of Maryland. The greater distance limit set by Greenbelt was originally put in place to allow voters to be able to drive past poll workers and park near the polls without having to interact with campaign workers if they'd rather not. If candidates or their representatives distribute pamphlets, or otherwise engage in electioneering within that limit, they are subject to

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From the Editor's Desk

'Tis the Season to Celebrate the Worth and Dignity of all People

by Gary Childs

Este artículo está disponible en español en nuestra página web www.greenbeltnewsreview.

Could a United Nations decision made in 1948 actually be Greenbelt news? In the case of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the answer is absolutely yes. Monday, December 10, was the 70-year anniversary of the United Nations adoption of that now-famous declaration. On that day I received a call from a Greenbelt resident asking if the paper would be mentioning the Declaration's anniversary. Sadly, no, I said, wishing I'd known about it sooner.

The caller, a recent arrival to Greenbelt, said that because of the strong connection between Eleanor Roosevelt and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, it might be appropriate for the paper. I thanked her for the call and wondered how I could cover a topic that does not at all seem local to Greenbelt in the paper. Although Mrs. Roosevelt was closely tied to both Greenbelt and the Declaration's writing and passage, that doesn't make its anniversary local news.

The Declaration expresses lofty and fundamental values (read the full text at: http://www. un.org/en/universal-declarationhuman-rights/). It asserts, for example, that "All human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights. They are endowed with reason and conscience and should act towards one another in a spirit of brotherhood."

The Declaration also reads that all people are "due human rights regardless of race, color, sex,

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Eleanor Roosevelt, representative to the United Nations, listens through headphones during a conference at the temporary UN headquarters in Lake Success, NY.



50 years ago

Feeding the Multitudes: Poor People's March in Greenbelt

by Amy Hansen

May 17, 1968: "It was a miracle day in Greenbelt," John Downs remembered 50 years

In a still-segregated country that was reeling from the April 4, 1968, assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King and the riots that followed, Greenbelt churches offered a place of solace to black people joining the Poor People's March and Resurrection City in Washington, D.C.

The offer of food had been made months before, after the archbishop asked Father Victor Dowgiallo if St. Hugh's could provide lunch for a few people passing through in the spring. By April, Greenbelt Community Church had offered to help and the committee knew the guests were part of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference [SCLC]. They also knew it would be more than a few people.

According to the News Review's reporting on the day, 25 buses, 15 cars and 1 truck arrived in Greenbelt at 12:30 p.m. The vehicles carried 700 guests, mostly African Americans, from Philadelphia and New Jersey. The

What Goes On

No City Council meetings December 24 through December 28.

guests were split evenly between St. Hugh's and Greenbelt Community Church.

St. Hugh's served 36 gallons of chicken soup, five cases of apples, seven pounds of coffee, four gallons of punch and 1,600 sandwiches, the News Review reported at the time.

The sandwiches were turkey and ham, Delores Downs remembered 50 years later.

The churches were ready, her husband remembered. "Our job was to make a picnic lunch for 700 people."

But not everyone in the city was eager for this event to hap-

"The nation was on edge; so was the city," John Downs wrote in a 40th anniversary recollection printed in the News Review. "There was fear in the air. Some folks took a stroll about town, went to the lake and some went to the shops in Roosevelt Center. In the only incident of the day, a 6-year-old local girl yelled at a few teenage SCLC marshals when

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The 1968 picnic made the news for local papers. The Prince George's Post carried the photo on the front page.



Holiday Deadlines, Schedule Changes



Holiday Deadlines

Christmas Week Issue (dated Thursday, December 27) Advertising and Copy Deadline: Sunday, December 23 New Year's Week Issue (dated Thursday, January 3) Advertising and Copy Deadline: Sunday, December 30

Holiday Office Hours:

Sunday, December 23 – 2 to 4 p.m., 6 to 8 p.m. (Monday, December 24 through Saturday, December 29 – Closed) Sunday, December 30 – 2 to 4 p.m., 6 to 8 p.m.

(Monday, December 31 through Sunday, January 6 – Closed) All articles, photos, announcements and advertisements must be received no later than Sunday at 8 p.m., sooner if possible. Note that no additional material for these issues will be accepted after the stated deadlines.

The News Review is grateful for everyone's help in submitting advertisements and copy as early as possible. Email letters and stories to editor@greenbeltnewsreview.com and send ads to ads@greenbeltnewsreview.com. If there are any questions, call 301-474-4131 or email the editor or ad desk.

Happy holidays to all!



Watch for Your News Review Carrier's Envelope

News Review carriers will be chilled to the bone as they deliver this week's newspaper door to door. Warm up their chilly noses and toeses by using the envelope recently distributed to send them a generous tip. Watch out for the News Review envelope and don't mix it up with the Other Newspaper's envelope.



Letters to the Editor

Response To Boy Erased Letter

I hesitated in writing a response to Bill Norwood's letter (12/13/18). I used to be a conservative evangelical and am familiar with such debates on cultural and social issues. I even donated to Anita Bryant's Save Our Children campaign in the late seventies.

Mr. Norwood suggested that readers consider both sides of "conversion/reparative therapy for unwanted same-sex attraction," then directed readers to two organizations, including Mission America that was founded in 1995 "to cover the latest cultural and social issues in our country and what they might mean for Christians." Under "Article Categories" on its home page was "The Basics" that included links to articles such as "Bible Passages about Homosexuality and Gender Confusion," "But Christians Shouldn't Be Concerned About Politics - Should They?" which delineate the "growing influence of homosexuality (and a hundred other depraved practices)" and "The Big FIB of Homosexuality," etc. Despite these biased topics, I continued to explore the website searching for articles about poverty, white supremacy, sexual harassment, gun control, etc. because I assumed these topics would be included in "the latest cultural and social issues in our country." They weren't. I wasn't surprised.

Further internet research revealed that in March 2012, the Southern Poverty Law Center designated Mission America as an active anti-gay group for its particular anti-LGBT rights stances.

The first line under "About Mission America" on its website is: "Truth is critical to a dying patient, and America is gravely ill. Trouble is, she seems unaware that the prognosis is very grim." Such an irony: a mission to uphold truth in America with an occupant of the Oval Office who rarely tells the truth and still continues to be wholly embraced by conservative evangelicals. Yes, America is gravely ill and the President seems unaware that the prognosis is very grim. I am reminded of this line from the movie Hannah and Her Sisters: "If Jesus came back and saw what's going on in his name, he'd never stop throwing up."

Sharon J. Anderson

Another Response

Bill Norwood's letter to the editor which encourages looking at both sides of the conversion therapy debacle makes it clear that Bill Norwood has spent no time looking at the issue. Conversion therapy has been banned in Maryland effective October

1, 2018. It has been discredited as a damaging sham. Rates of depression and suicide increased by more than double for LGBT children whose parents tried to change their orientation when compared to children who were not subject to this pressure from parents. The "reparative therapy" supported by Mr. Norwood is a dangerous and discredited practice. Laws banning conversion therapy have gone all the way to the Supreme Court and been supported.

William Fishburne



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<u>On Screen</u>

Rival Queens Collide at OGT

Mary Queen of Scots opens at the Old Greenbelt Theatre this Friday, December 21, with a surprise guest speaker at the 7:45 show. It's a week-long solo run, so there are plenty of opportunities to see the latest interpretation of this most famous queenly rivalry.

Irish-American actress Saoirse Ronan rules in the title role. Margot Robbie captures Elizabeth I in her great power and in decline. Director Josie Rourke presents these two queens, onto whom many directors have projected overblown defects and time-bound stereotypes, with poise and dignity.

To #MeToo-aware viewers of today, the institutionalized sexism of the Elizabethan era sheds light on the fabled frustrations and paranoia of these two queens. They ruled countries and courts dominated by self-dealing men with obscure loyalties. David Tennant and Guy Pearce play such courtly influencers, each manipulating a different queen. What strategies these queens could muster often led to unintended consequences, furnishing this visually beautiful new film with a twisting plot, palace intrigue, romance and tragedy.

1 hour 4 minutes, rated R.

- Lesley Kash

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Birds of Greenbelt



A dark-eyed junco perches in a tree at Windsor Green on December 12.



A great blue heron looks for lunch at Buddy Attick Park.

Community Events

Davies' Paintings Currently On Display



Sally Davies

There will be an opening reception on Sunday, January 6 from 2 to 4 p.m. for Greenbelt artist Sally Davies' exhibit, Point of View, at the Maryland Milestones Heritage Center, located at 4318 Gallatin Street in Hyattsville. The paintings in this exhibit are part of her series of landscapes with unusual vantage points. "In this current political world of insular countries and self-protectionism, I want to show our planet as one whole place, a community. Aside from recognizable architectural clues for a specific place, the people in my paintings look so familiar. They are doing ordinary things, like going to work, taking kids to school, cycling home and meeting with friends. I want to show that common bond of humanity throughout the world."

Davies has lived and worked in Prince George's County for over 20 years. Originally from England, she studied illustration and graphic design at Sheridan College in Canada. Her illustrations have been published in magazines, cookbooks, menus, textbooks, posters and 14 children's books in Canada and the U.S. Her award-winning illustrations are done with ink line and bright watercolor washes. The exhibit is currently on display and will run through February 28.

For more information contact info@anacostiatrails.org.

Writers Group Holds Holiday Gathering

The Greenbelt writers group will have its holiday gathering on Friday, December 21 at 6 p.m. at the New Deal Café. Contact Barbara Ford at 301-441-8241 by December 15 to reserve a place at the party. All Greenbelt writers are invited.

Menu for Senior Nutrition Program

The Senior Nutrition Food and Friendship program provides lunches for seniors Monday through Friday at the Community Center beginning at noon. Meals must be reserved by 11 a.m. two days ahead so that enough food is ordered. Call 301-397-2208 ext. 4215.

All meals, which provide at least one-third of Recommended Dietary Allowances for older adults, include margarine, coffee or tea and skim milk. Menus for the week of December 24 are as follows:

Monday, December 24: All sites closed.

Tuesday, December 25: All sites closed.

Wednesday, December 26: potato soup, stuffed shells with meat sauce, kale, Italian bread, pear crisp, grape juice

Thursday, December 27: sliced turkey with gravy, whipped potatoes, sliced carrots, biscuit, pineapple tidbits, cranberry juice

Friday, December 28: Swedish meatballs, buttered herb penne, broccoli, wheat bread, fresh fruit, apple juice

Arts Board Meets

The Greenbelt Arts Advisory Board will meet next on Tuesday, January 8 at 7 p.m. in Room 112 of the Community Center.

GHI Notes

Thursday, December 20, 7:45 p.m., Board of Directors Meeting, Board Room

Monday, December 24, office closed. Emergency maintenance service available at 301-474-6011.

Tuesday, December 25, office closed. Emergency maintenance service available at 301-474-6011.

Wednesday, December 26, 7 p.m., Buildings Committee Meeting, Board Room

Friday, December 28, office closes at noon. Emergency maintenance service available at 301-474-6011.

Tuesday, January 1, office closed. Emergency maintenance service available at 301-474-6011.

Thoughtful Discussion At MakerSpace, Jan. 8

When is it bad to be true to ourselves? Should thee "to thine own self be true" if the better angels of your nature don't have a voting majority in the counsel of your psyche? The thoughtful discussion group that meets at the MakerSpace on Tuesday evenings will take up the topic on January 8 at 7 p.m., after a two-week hiatus for the Christmas and New Year's holidays. Those interested in discussion and cheerful banter are welcome to attend.





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ber 19, and burial was at Gate

of Heaven Cemetery. Tributes

or condolences can be offered

at borgwardtfuneralhome.com/

notices/Roger-WilsonJr.

A memorial Mass was held

Obituaries

Roger E. Wilson, Jr.



Roger Wilson holds his dog, Nikki, in Lakecrest circa 2003.

Roger Wilson died on December 12, 2018, at Doctors Community Hospital after experiencing multiple heart attacks and kidney problems beginning on November 26.

Mr. Wilson was born on September 9, 1956, in Tiffin, Ohio, to Roger E. and Mary Angelo Wilson. He spent much of his childhood in Wheaton, Md., where his gifts as a musician began to emerge early. After years of playing drums in marching bands, he received a degree in music (classical percussion) from the New England Conservatory and then performed as a percussionist with the Fairfax Symphony. In addition, he took up the piano, which gave him and those around him much pleasure. In the late 1990s he taught music appreciation for Prince George's

Community College at Heartland Healthcare Center.

Central to Mr. Wilson's life was a profound faith in Jesus Christ and a vibrant participation in the life of the Catholic Church. Mr. Wilson studied scripture and was always ready with a quotation from the Bible for any need or occasion. He spent much time in prayer on behalf of the disadvantaged, the sick and the homeless, and for decades took his faith into the community, volunteering on behalf of the elderly, the handicapped and the mentally ill in several nursing homes and hospitals. For the last five years he served the Greenbelt Adult Day Care members with weekly Bible studies, hymn singing and piano playing.

Mr. Wilson is survived by his brother Thom Wilson (Beth), sister Diane Cormicle-Ganz (Brian), nephews Greg and Elliot Wilson and Matt and Zach Cormicle. He is also survived by his very dear long-time friends Nora Gallagher, Tom Trunk and Georgia Porter. These and other friends were like family to him, providing him much strength and support through difficult times.

For many years Mr. Wilson loved and cared for his rescue dog Nikki. In honor of Mr. Wilson's faithful devotion to Nikki, who predeceased him, the family asks that donations be made to Almost Home Dog Rescue (almosthomedogs.org), a registered charity. To make a donation as a tribute to Roger Wilson,

Obituaries

The News Review publishes obituaries of Greenbelt residents, past or present.

You write it or we will if you prefer. We try to include information about participation in various activities and organizations, where the person lived and something about the family. A photograph and service information should be included. There is no charge.

Our Neighbors

Condolences to the family and friends of Roger Wilson who died on December 12.

Many Greenbelters were saddened and angered about the fire set by an arsonist near Gailes' Violin Shop in College Park. Fortunately, nobody was hurt and the instruments were not burned, but the violins are being cleaned after being exposed to smoke. At last report, the Gailes were still open for business during daylight hours. The store's webpage has more details.

Share your accomplishments, milestones and news in the Our Neighbors column. Send details of your news items to editor@ greenbeltnewsreview.com.



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At the Library

All Prince George's County Memorial Library System branches will be closed from Sunday, December 23 through Tuesday, December 25 for the Christmas holiday. The Greenbelt Library will reopen on Wednesday, December 26 at 10 a.m. All library branches will be closed from Sunday, December 30 through Tuesday, January 1 for the New Year's holiday. The Greenbelt Library will reopen on Wednesday, January 2 at 10 a.m.

Weekly Storytimes

Wednesday, December 26: ages newborn to 2, 10:15 a.m., limit 15 babies with parent(s)/ caregiver(s); ages 2 to 3, 11:15 a.m., limit 30 people. Thursday, December 27: ages newborn to 2, 10:15 and 11:15 a.m., limit 15 babies with parent(s)/caregiver(s); ages 2 to 3, 4:15 p.m., limit 30 people.

STEM-tastic

Wednesday, December 26, 4:30 p.m., ages 5 to 12. Become a mad scientist by conducting hands-on, fun science experiments using basic scientific principles. Join in on fun engineering challenges by building structures out of ordinary drinking straws. No registration required.

Free Community Art **Drop-in on January 6**

The Greenbelt Recreation Arts Program welcomes visitors of all ages to a community art dropin on Sunday, January 6 from 1 to 3 p.m. Admission is free and reservations are not required. The event takes place at the Community Center.

Kathy Karlson, an artist-in-residence at the Community Center, will lead a painting party. Paint clouds, trees, waves and other forms according to your own inspiration using drawing and color wash techniques. All materials will be provided.

While there, visitors may see the current art gallery exhibit, The View Within and Without: Painting and Collage by Sylvie van Helden.

Also check out the Museum's current exhibit at the Community Center, The Knowing Hands That Carve This Stone: The New Deal Art of Lenore Thomas Straus. Straus is best known locally as the creator of the iconic Mother and Child statue in Roosevelt Center and the impressive bas reliefs on the façade of the Community Center.

From 1 to 5 p.m. enjoy a guided tour of the Museum's historic house across the street at 10-B Crescent Road for a small admission fee.

For more information about City of Greenbelt art programs, visit greenbeltmd.gov/arts or call 301-397-2208. Arts programs are sponsored in part by the Maryland State Arts Council.

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City Information & Events

Notice of Charter Amendment Resolution

At its regular meeting of December 10, 2018, the City Council adopted a resolution to amend the City Charter. As required by state law, this resolution will be posted in its entirety for 40 days, until January 19, at the Municipal Building, as well as on the City's Web site at www.greenbeltmd.gov. Copies may also be requested of the City Clerk. It will become effective on January 29, 2019, unless a proper petition to submit the amendment to the voters on a referendum is filed as permitted by law. As also required by state law, this notice is given to provide a fair summary of the resolution.

Charter Amendment Resolution No. 2018-1 Resolution No. 2069

A Resolution of the City of Greenbelt Adopted Pursuant to the Authority of Article XI-E of the Constitution of Maryland and Section 13 of Article 23A of the Annotated Code of Maryland, (1957 Edition as Amended), Title, "Corporation-Municipal," Subtitle "Home Rule" to Amend the Charter of the City of Greenbelt Found, in Whole or in Part, in the Compilation of Municipal Charters of Maryland (1983 Edition as Amended), as Prepared by the Department of Legislative Reference Pursuant to Chapter 77 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland of 1983, by Repealing and Reenacting with Amendments Section 16(A), Titled "Appointments" to Expand the Number of Members

Purpose: To amend the City Charter to expand the Board of Elections number of members from five (5) to seven (7).

For additional information, contact Bonita Anderson, City Clerk, at 301-474-3870 or banderson@greenbeltmd.gov.

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

City Offices will be closed Tuesday, December 25th in observance of the Christmas Holiday.

REFUSE/RECYCLING SCHEDULE

Week of December 24 through 28 Monday Route -collected Monday. Tuesday Route - collected Wednesday Wednesday Route -collected Thursday. Thursday Route -collected Friday.

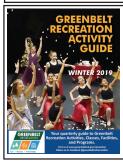
There will be no appliance or yard waste collections on Friday, December 28th.

> The Greenbelt Connection will not operate on Tuesday, December 25th

RECREATION AND PARK FACILITIES MASTER PLAN

On November 28th the final draft of the Recreation and Park Facilities Master Plan was presented in a work session to City Council and the Park and Recreation Advisory Board for review and comment. The public is invited to review and make comment on the plan located at www.greenbeltmd.gov/master-plan.

The City will accept comments until January 1, 2019. Comments should be sent to Joe McNeal at jmcnceal@greenbeltmd.gov . It is anticipated the final plan will be presented to City Council for final approval and adoption in early 2019.



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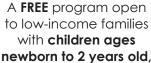
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- Receive up to 4 home visits (one visit every other week) from nursing students.
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- Information/Resource Linkage
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VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Volunteer to serve on City Council Advisory Groups. There are currently vacancies on: Advisory Committee of Education, Arts Advisory Board, Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability, Senior Citizens Advisory Committee, and Youth Advisory Committee. Info: 301-474-8000

This holiday season, consider making a Charitable **Donation to City of Greenbelt's Agency Funds**

Consider donating at this time of year to the Agency Funds, which helps our neighbors in need. Agency Funds are managed but not financed by the City. All donations to the funds are used for the listed charitable purposes. Donation areas include the following:

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The Greenbelt Theater: funds help keep the theater open.

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Checks may be made payable to the City of Greenbelt. Donors may direct their donation toward one or more of the agency funds. Donations are tax deductible and upon request a letter acknowledging your gift will be issued.

Thank you to all residents who have contributed in years past. Happy Holidays!



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COMMUNITY ART DROP-IN DAY

Sunday, January 6, 1pm-3pm. FREE. **Greenbelt Community Center** All ages welcome. Materials provided.

Painting party with Artist in Residence Karlson. Experiment with techniques for painting clouds and trees, using washes and lines.



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Contact Sharon Johnson, GAIL Community Case Manager, to register: 240-542-2029 OR sjohnson@greenbeltmd.gov * SPACE IS LIMITED*

WINTER GED COURSE INFORMATION

January 7-March 27, 2019

Registration and first class will be held on Monday, January 7, 2019 at the SPRINGHILL LAKE Recreation Center, 6101 Cherrywood Lane, Greenbelt, MD 20770 from 10:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m. Students should bring pencil, pen, and a notebook. Students must be at least 16 years of age and have withdrawn from school in order to take the GED course. They are also required to show proof of residency (i.e. current lease, phone or electric bill, driver's license or Motor Vehicle I.D. card).

Students are required to purchase a copy of the GED textbook, calculator and test-taking materials for \$45 (purchased from Greenbelt CARES). There is no registration fee for GREENBELT RESIDENTS.

There is a \$175 registration fee for Non-Greenbelt residents. Call 301-345-6660 or email jhering@greenbeltmd.gov



Alice in Wonderland at the Community Center

Never Ignore the Invitation Of a Beckoning Rabbit Hole

Alice in Wonderland opened to sellout crowds on the weekend of December 15. All three performances were packed with friends, family and Greenbelt residents who have come to realize that the annual dance-based show is the best deal in town. With almost 50 young dancers performing under the able direction of Angella Foster and Lisa Pelletiere of the Greenbelt Dance Studio, the show made the best possible use of community resources, including

the Community Center's costume shop.

Colorful garb, soulful bunny ears, diaphanous butterflies, perambulating caterpillars and the sleepiest dormouse ever added up to an energetic show that did Lewis Carroll proud. Add to that a bestiary of Creatures of Wonderland and a delightfully bonkers March Hare and everybody – dancers and audience – had a perfectly topping time.



From left: Cheshire Cat, Mila Shapiro; White Rabbit, Madeleine McComb; King of Hearts, Max Leisnham; Queen of Hearts, Victoria Makeow; Dormouse, Joy Winter; Butterfly, Paige Tinsley; Alice, Mecca Lartigue; March Hare, Isabella Grube; The Duchess, Ani Arzoumanian; Mad Hatter, Viola Pitts



Caterpillar ensemble from left: Joy Winter, Yona Faber, Paige Tinsley, Hannah Collins, Maggie Holland and Zoe Larsen

- Photos by Beverly Palau



Paige Tinsley plays the Butterfly in the Queen's Garden. Other dancers from left: Amy King, Anis Arzoumanian, Mecca Lartigue (Alice), Mila Shapiro and Viola Pitts



Mecca Lartigue, as Alice, is captured mid-leap during the performance.



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Alice in Wonderland at the Community Center



The entire cast of Alice in Wonderland



Little Alice, Keilanni Oliver, with Big Alice, Mecca Lartigue



The White Rabbit, Madeleine McComb, poses with baby mouse Emily Ottens, down the rabbit hole.



Fanciful creatures of Wonderland surround little Alice, played by Keilanni Oliver. Bear, Max Leisnham; Horse, Mariella McElhenny; Dodo, Zoe Larsen; Wolf, Henry Faber; Owl, Joy Winter; Reindeer (left), Hannah Collins; (right), Maya Dunkley



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Cub Scout Pack 203, Greenbelt Police K-9 Search for the Grinch

by Amy Hansen

Cub Scout Pack 202 welcomed police officers to the December 12 meeting held at Greenbelt Community Church, United Church of Christ, for a demonstration with the canine officers, a swearing-in ceremony and a surprise. The theme of the meeting was service to country, explained police spokesperson George Mathews.

To begin, the cubs enjoyed a demonstration from Officer Jason Cressman and his dog Mojo and Officer Jerry Potts and his dog Duco. Officer Gordon Pracht asked the boys to swear to work hard and be good citizens. As they put down their hands, the boys heard dispatcher Samantha Loncon announce a situation requiring assistance from the boys. They needed to find the Grinch who was stealing holiday spirit.

As Public Information and Communications Coordinator Beverly Palau recorded their efforts, the boys searched the church and found the person in the Grinch costume. Palau's completed video includes a cameo of a pseudo-News Review where the headlines read, Grinch Scouted Out! Holiday Spirit Returns!

To view the video, go to the City of Greenbelt Government Facebook page.



Cub scouts find the grinch and pose with a pseudo News Review.

- Photos by Beverly Palau



Cub scouts swear to work hard and be good citizens, at a meeting with police officers.

A beaver-felled tree lies on the ground at the Lake.



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Girls and Boys Can Join Combined Scout Troop 214

by Ben Clarke

Eleven young ladies joined 21 young men from the City of Greenbelt and surrounding areas for the first combined Troop 214 Scouts BSA information and recruitment meeting. The girls' troop will parallel the existing boys' Troop 214. The future Scouts planned outdoor activities for 2019 including hiking, biking, swimming and monthly overnight camping trips.

The next scout recruitment meeting will be on January 22 at

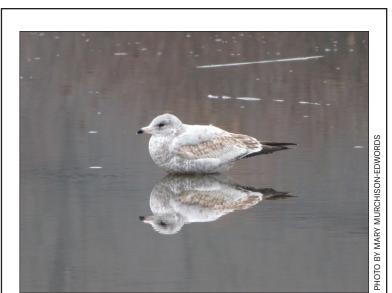
7 p.m. Troop 214 meets weekly on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. at the back entrance of the Prince George's County Elks Lodge at 6700 Kenilworth Avenue in Riverdale.

For more information of the girls Troop 214 contact ScoutsBSAtroop214GT@gmail.

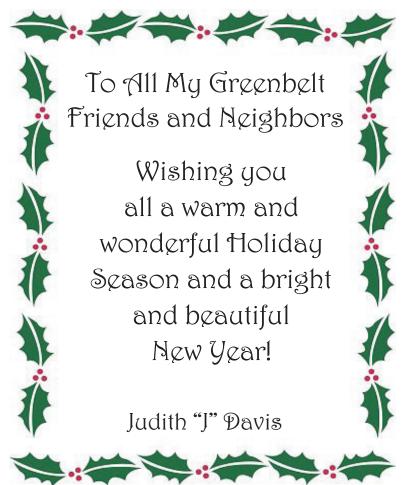
For more information on the Boy Scouts of America, visit scouting.org.



Girls' Troop 214 prospective members in foreground and Boys' Troop 214 in background being led by Scoutmaster Shawn Scoles.



A seagull hangs out at the pond at Hanover Parkway and Ora Glen Drive.



WSSC Will Replace Mains Starting in Summer 2021

WSSC will replace 1.12 miles of Greenbelt's aging 24-inch water mains with new zinc-coated ductile iron pipe expected to last at least 100 years. The current lines serving Greenbelt Road, Branchville Road, Edmonston Road and Cherrywood Lane were installed in the 1930s and the 1970s and are nearing the end of their life cycle.

The schedule estimates that planning will be completed by Spring 2019, with construction to start in Summer 2021. Work will then last about a year and a half, subject to weather, permitting and other factors.

Residents are advised that WSSC will replace the portion of the water service line between the water main and the property line connection, and that work will take place between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. on any given day. Water service may be interrupted for a few hours while the new main is being connected. A 48-

hour advance notification will precede any service interruption, parking restriction or change in work hours. Some trees may have to be pruned or removed. In that event, advance notice will be given and this work will be supervised by a WSSC urban forester. All sidewalks, roadways and landscaping will be restored by WSSC within 90 days of project completion.

"We understand the inconvenience these types of projects can cause," according to WSSC's press release. "And we appreciate your patience as we work to improve our infrastructure."

Before construction begins, WSSC will hold a community meeting to provide more detailed information. For more details, contact Project Manager Bhusan Basnet at 301-206-7946 or by email at Bhusan.Basnet@wsscwater.com and refer to Project No. BT6482A18.

Misty Greenbelt



Red berries on a misty day in Greenbelt

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they were coming back from shopping. Someone finally called the child off. All stayed peaceful and calm."

City administrators, including City Manager Jim Giese and Police Chief William Lane, worked to help make the day a success, but stayed in the background. National Guard soldiers stayed hidden in the fire station during the day as a precaution against riots, Downs said.

Downs was impressed with the resources that all came together on the city, county, state and federal level. Dignitaries, including Gladys Spellman, then a member of the Prince George's County Commissioners, came through town to see how the day

According to the News Review report, the churches also provided first aid facilities, babysitting and entertainment in St. Hugh's gymnasium. And showers, Downs added, explaining that Al Geiger shuttled dozens of people over to his house on Lakeside to use the showers there. (Greenbelt did not yet have the indoor pool with public

showers and neither church had showers in their facilities.)

Resurrection City was not yet ready for this group of marchers, so buses were located to take them over to area schools.

In the weeks after the picnic, the Greenbelt News Review carried a letter to the editor objecting to the Poor People's March and the picnic saying that those poor people were only poor because they refused to work and didn't need help. The following week, another letter reminded Greenbelters that all early residents of the city were poor and obviously the government had helped them.

For John Downs, providing food and welcome was the obvious thing to do, and a piece of Greenbelt of which he is proud. "It just came off as a big picnic lunch. I have fond memories of

the community coming together."
For more information, read Jim Giese's and John Down's 2008 series, in the August 21, August 29, September 4 and November 27 issues of the News Review.

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a fine which can now be collected by election judges. During the discussion, Councilmember Edward Putens questioned the language of the amendment that actually used the word 'fee' to describe what he said was, in fact, a fine. Council agreed to use the word 'fine' instead. Another amendment agreed to by council provides for three weekends of early voting, in Greenbelt city elections, at the Municipal Building. Council also changed how campaign finances must be reported and made many small changes affecting readability of the ordinance.

Mobile Network

Recently, Federal Communications Commission (FCC) enacted rules and regulations to provide for small cell installations, poles that will provide the infrastructure for the next generation of mobile internet networks. These small cell facilities are "structures mounted on an existing structure that is 50 feet or less, including the antennas, or are mounted on structures no more than 10 percent taller than other adjacent

structures." The new FCC rules severely limit opportunities for local government authorities to prohibit putting up such poles in various locations throughout their jurisdictions. Council adopted two new sections of city code that will give Greenbelt a legal basis for engaging with the FCC and companies that will install the new poles, so that the city will have some ability to negotiate for installations that will be as aesthetically congruent with existing city infrastructure as possible. The new FCC rules were passed recently and Greenbelt has had to develop its own rules so it will be ready to represent to the fullest extent possible the needs and concerns of the city and its residents after January 1, 2019 when the rules go into effect. There are enough issues and points needing to be covered that council enacted two new portions of city code, Chapter 5a: Franchises and Permits for Wireless Telecommunications Facilities, and Chapter 18, Division 6: Minimum Requirements for Occupation of Rights-of-Way, which will go as

far as possible to allow the city to represent its concerns. Council members discussed several related points, for example wondering if the code change they were considering should also include getting access to the new facilities for citywide broadband. Terri Hruby, director of Planning and Community Development, pointed out that if council does not pass these two new chapters of city code, the city would have no way to effectively negotiate such key items as where poles will be placed. She noted that the new chapters are in line with similar legislation passed by other cities and are complete enough to provide a basis for negotiation as well as a good starting point for adding elements to the regulations as the need arises. Because of the importance of getting something in place before the new FCC rules go into effect, council voted to suspend its rules in order to hear a second reading of the ordinances, discuss it and adopt them, all at the same meeting.

Holiday Tours At Montpelier

See Montpelier Mansion dressed up for the holidays on self-guided tours from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. through Saturday, December 29 (closed Wednesdays). The rooms of the mansion have been decorated by local gardening clubs. Guided tours are available with advance notice. There is a nominal fee for the tour. No reservations are required.

While here for a tour, visitors can also shop at the Artists' Boutique, featuring original ornaments, fiber art creations and other artistic crafts, and the Montpelier Gift Shop, featuring books, music CDs, old-fashioned toys, tea and tea accoutrements, and Montpelier memorabilia.

More information can be found at history.pgparks.com/Calendar.

Send us your photos!

The News Review would like to print more photos of Greenbelt landmarks, activities and the changing seasons. Photos should be at least 300 dpi, and must include the name of the photographer and a caption. The caption must name any identifiable people in the photo, as well as explain the picture. Send us no more than five photos at a time.





From Robert and Sylvia Lewis



To Our Greenbelt Friends & Neighbors

Happy New Year

May 2019 Be Peaceful Productive & Prosperous

Leta and Darrell Mach

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acquiring and maintaining necessary materials and equipment.

In 1997, she became recreation supervisor. Using a team management style, she saw to the needs of the full-time staff and over 80 part-time employees, including their training. She was responsible for the creation and distribution of a quarterly brochure for all department events. She also aided in the promotion of citywide events, including programspecific budgeting and concerns.

In 2001, McHale became assistant director of recreation. Her new duties included fiscal management of the recreation budget and presenting findings to city council, liaison to committees and boards, and initiating partnerships throughout Greenbelt. During her term, revenues in recreation programs increased by over five percent and attendance in programs increased by ten percent. She actively embraced 21st century marketing techniques and a going green approach.

In 2012, with the retirement of Hank Irving, the post of director became vacant. With grown children now and more available time, McHale applied for the job, feeling "that I was more than qualified for the position." She was part of a national search for a replacement and had to go through two rounds of interviewing before finally becoming director. Said McHale, "I guess timing is everything."

The role of director focused more on the administrative end, with McHale reporting directly to the city manager. Said McHale, "The buck stopped with me. I had department-wide say and signature on purchases, staffing, scheduling, closings, etc." Yet, McHale was still vitally involved in overseeing program development and implementation, clearly one of her passions.

McHale was the architect of many innovative and positive programs, designed for a diverse clientele, including children, teens, adults, individuals with disabilities and senior citizens. For her, two stand-outs are Get Active Greenbelt, which promoted comprehensive physical wellbeing for the Greenbelt community, and Be Happy, Be Healthy Employee Health and Wellness Program, which has served as a template for similar programs throughout the nation. Around 1990, she created the Kinder

Model Train Display At Aviation Museum

A part of the main gallery at the College Park Aviation Museum, a Smithsonian Affiliations museum, is transformed with the arrival of the Holiday Trains and Planes. Through Saturday, December 22, the National Capital Trackers will display an assortment of model trains. Trains will travel through a variety of miniature villages, depots, tunnels and more. The public may even be able to take the controls at certain points. Regular museum admission includes Holiday Trains and Planes. The museum is open daily 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., while the model trains stop running at 4 p.m. Note the train display will be closing at 3 p.m. on Saturday, December 22. For more information call 301-864-6029 or visit CollegeParkAviationMuseum.com.

Camp program and Mom's Morning Out, both of which are still in existence, of which McHale feels great pride. Said McHale, "Senior/adult fitness classes are popular. The arts programming is second to none and both the visual and performing arts classes are filled to capacity. Special events offered throughout the city are busting at the seams, and the children's classes and camp programs of all varieties continue to be in demand."

In the 1990s and early 2000s, McHale was present for a period of enormous growth in facilities and staffing. New facilities included the skatepark; the indoor pool/fitness center and renovations to the outdoor pool; Schrom Hills Park/the Greenbelt East Community Center; and the transformation of the former Center School into the existing Community Center, which then focused on senior and arts programs. With this expansion, McHale said "we doubled our staff in the matter of a few short years."

McHale has always worked from a family first mindset, which she feels is a strong part of the Greenbelt psyche. She said, "In today's world everybody has a story and they are either supporting their children, a sick relative and/or their own parents and it is so hard." She is grateful for a flexible schedule that allowed her to care for her own four children in a marriage of 33 years and have a successful career in recreation. She added, "I wanted staff to have the same flexibility that was provided for

McHale hopes to continue in the recreation field after her retirement, most especially in the arena of programming for children, special events, health and wellness. Regarding her experience, she remarked on "the professionalism and passion of the staff. Whether staff is responsible for managing a facility, developing and implementing programs, devising policy and procedure, or what have you, staff is committed to providing the best possible." When asked what was most challenging she asserted that every challenge was, in the end, an opportunity to expand the department and develop something new, exciting and helpful.



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language, religion, political or other opinion, national or social origin, property, birth or other status." It upholds the rights of life, liberty and security of person, affirms equality of all people under the rule of law and affirms that no one should be subject to torture or slavery. It states that no one shall be subjected to arbitrary interference with privacy nor to "attacks against honor or reputation." It declares all this and much more. How could I construe it as a local story for this paper?

Imagine how glad I was when on that same Monday evening, the city council made the Declaration a local story by formally recognizing the 70-year anniversary. Mayor Emmett Jordan, after reading the council's statement acknowledging Human Rights Day and noting the importance of the Universal Declaration, quoted Eleanor Roosevelt, who chaired the committee that wrote it and whose picture hangs alongside her husband's in the Greenbelt council chamber, saying:

"Where, after all, do universal human rights begin? In small places, close to home - so close and so small that they cannot be seen on any maps of the world. Yet they are the world of the individual person; the neighborhood he lives in; the school or college he attends; the factory, farm, or office where he works. Such are the places where every man, woman, and child seeks equal justice, equal opportunity, equal dignity without discrimination. Unless these rights have meaning there, they have little meaning anywhere. Without concerted citizen action to uphold them close to home, we shall look in vain for progress in the larger world."

Councilmember Judith Davis, helping hammer the point home, pointed out that Roosevelt was the moving force behind the Declaration and that her involvement "reflects well on us here in

Greenbelt."



Eleanor Roosevelt shakes hands at the opening of the United Nations Commission on Human Rights. Anna Eleanor Roosevelt (October 11, 1884 - November 7, 1962) was an American politician. She married her fifth cousin once removed, Franklin Delano Roosevelt, in 1905. After discovering Franklin's affair with Lucy Mercer, she resolved to seek fulfillment in a public life of her own. She persuaded Franklin to stay in politics following his partial paralysis from polio, and began to give speeches and campaign in his place. She was a controversial First Lady for her outspokenness, particularly her stance on racial issues. She was the first presidential spouse to hold press conferences, write a syndicated newspaper column, and speak at a national convention. She advocated for expanded roles for women in the workplace, the civil rights of African-Americans and Asian-Americans, and the rights of WWII refugees.

The Declaration is relevant to Greenbelt for another reason. Two weeks ago, we reported minor tweaking in the wording of the Greenbelt Community Pledge and its unanimous acceptance by council. Our community pledge echoes the Declaration's words, affirming that "the strength of Greenbelt is diverse people living together in a spirit of cooperation." It also states our intent as Greenbelt is to "strive to be a respectful, welcoming community that is open, accessible, safe and fair." These words help us move toward the goal of, in Eleanor's words, exerting "concerted action close to home to do our best to uphold the goals of the Declara-

That is how a 70-year old United Nations decision becomes a local story in December 2018. What better time to celebrate human rights than during this holiday season, when we hear of joy, light and religious freedom, when we hear of celebrations of unity, self-determination, creativity and faith, and when we hear talk of peace on earth? And also, what better way for each of us, each resident of Greenbelt, to celebrate this season by living out and supporting basic human rights in our "small places close to home" in the way we treat each other?

Along with the staff of the News Review, I wish you and yours a peaceful, loving, human rights-affirming holiday season.



Drop Us a Line!

Electronically, that is. editor@greenbelt newsreview.com



Season's Greetings

Tis the season to wish one another joy, love and peace.

Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays, and a prosperous New Year.

These are my wishes for you all.

Silke Pope.

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Greenbelt Mistory

How the Voice of a Woman Brought Change to Greenbelt

by Lucely Stickler

When Greenbelt was first built in the late 1930s, history shows us that there were several basic models of houses. Worth study, however, is how they differ. When the big things remain the same, it is the small differences, the nuances, the subtleties that tease the eye and reward the observer

At the dawn of Greenbelt time, there were brick houses and block houses - just two basic flavors to choose from. Complicating this, there were one-bedroom Honeymoon Cottages, two-bedroom homes with two alternative floor plans and three-bedroom homes with one basic floor plan. There was also the left-facing unit and there was the mirror-image right-facing unit. Every row of houses had two ends (almost always). A flat roof meant block construction and a pitched roof meant brick and one could generally stake one's life on it. But - though this is not important to the story - on the odd-numbered section of Crescent from 1 to 11 courts, some of the houses had basements, pitched roofs, cinder block walls and asbestos shingles. The interiors were framed up out of wood. These houses experienced a serious identity crisis and the less said about them the better.

As building progressed, the builders learned a thing or two because they saw a thing or two. This resulted in a variety of changes to the plans. The astute observer will note, for example, that sometimes the front door is in line with the staircase and sometimes it is not. In another example of changes in design, earlier block houses had visible bathroom pipes running through the kitchen ceiling. Some were vertical copper pipes while others, more foreboding, looked for all the world like the Loch Ness monster, viewed from beneath. In later block units, these pipes are decorously hidden. Inquiring minds have speculated what could have happened to cause the pipes to be concealed and to change history so radically mid-project.

Theories Abound

There might have been any number of reasons for the disappearance of the exposed pipes from the block kitchen plans. Perhaps it was merely evolutionary - like dinosaurs became birds - though the timescale is a drawback, being at most about 18 months. Perhaps tall workmen kept banging their heads on them and got so tired of it that they surreptitiously raised them. Possibly Eleanor saw them and



Greenbelt's first families moved into the new town in 1937. Mr. and Mrs. J.M. Ashley and children Lynn, Dorma, and Eddie were the first to arrive on September 30, 1937. Here they are having their first meal in their new home.

needed smelling salts to recover from such a crude visual reference to bathroom plumbing. We may never know the details, but the following explanation currently preferred by historians of Greenbelt architecture may well be based on facts so accepted at the time as to be completely undocumented.

Going to Bat

Imagine a young lady (adults in Greenbelt then-a-days averaged about 25, plus or minus two years), wearing decorous white gloves and the jauntily-pinned little hat that no respectable woman would be seen without. Her name might well have been Mrs. Wilbur Dolragz (Flossie to friends and family) and she, in 1937, knocked politely on the door of construction headquarters by what is now the lake. Motioned forward by its inhabitant, the Superintendent of Construction, no less, and asked her business, she folded her hands demurely on her clutch purse and with the perfect diction of an Olivia de Havilland, said "Are you out of your ever-lovin' minds to have pipes sticking down through the kitchen like that and was it, by chance, a man who designed this farrago of absurdity?"

The supervisor would have clenched down on his cheroot. "Why, little lady," he might have said, – a condescension that has pretty much gone out the window these days if a chap wishes to live to see the sun rise - "I expect it might well have been a man since men do most of the designing and pretty much everything else too around here and you shouldn't worry your pretty little head about it." After those

comforting words, he scratched his head and thought before he said, "But I don't recall us ever building a farrago - the nearest to building a farrago that I suspect we ever came was a preggola (sic) we did for some rich people downtown - so kindly explain to me, my dear lady, what exactly is one of these farragoes?"

Moving Forward

Mrs. Wilbur Dolragz did not back down. She explained to the supervisor (who wasn't a bad guy, merely the product of his times) what a farrago was. He thought, on reflection, that she might have a point though having grown up with a privy himself, he thought visible bathroom pipes in the kitchen were a thing of beauty and a joy forever.

He appreciated her point, however, and called several all-male construction conferences, thick with smoke haze, at which farragoes and preggolas (sic) were bandied about with some gusto. Mrs. Wilbur Dolragz kept up the pressure and it was eventually decreed that the pipes should disappear from the kitchens of block homes still in the pre-plumbing

The News Review is happy to have possibly cleared up one small mystery in this city's rich history and would be delighted to hear of any alternative explanations based on similarly exhaustive research.

The author notes that if you believe this, you'll believe just about anything.



Local Mission BBQ Donates Funds to Greenbelt FOP #32

by Scott Kaiser

On Thursday, December 13 the Greenbelt Mission BBQ donated \$1,839.27 to the Greenbelt Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) Lodge #32 from sales of their Hometown Hero cups. For each Hometown Hero cup purchased, a portion of the payment goes to the local Hometown

Hero organizations. This donation is then placed into the FOP's general fund for programs such as the annual Shop-with-a-Cop. For more information on the Hometown Heroes program, visit mission-bbq.com/thank-yourhometown-heroes-one-cup-at-a-



From left, Gaby Benitez, Mission BBQ community ambassador; Mike Apgar, Greenbelt FOP#32 president; Scott Yankowy, Greenbelt FOP #32 vice president; Scott Kaiser, Greenbelt FOP #32 treasurer; George Thomas, Mission BBQ general manager



Christmas lights decorate a lawn on Lakeside Drive.

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Police Blotter

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Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

Assault

December 8, 12:16 p.m., 9100 block Springhill Lane. A woman reported that on December 7 at approximately 4 p.m. she heard a knock at her door, looked out the peephole and observed two men outside her door, dressed in all black and wearing ski masks. She ran to her bathroom. The two men then entered the bathroom, where one grabbed her and the other threw something into her face which temporarily blinded her and caused her to lose consciousness. The men fled. There was no sign of forced entry.

December 12, 1:30 a.m., 7200 block Hanover Parkway. Two men approached a woman and her boyfriend at Willy K's Sports Café and punched him several times, causing him to lose consciousness. The men then fled to a vehicle described as a black Dodge Challenger bearing Maryland tags. One of the men opened its trunk and the woman believed she observed a gun being placed into it. When she attempted to take a picture of the vehicle, the men pushed her to the ground. They then fled in the vehicle. The boyfriend was transported to University of Maryland Prince George's Hospital Center by the woman for treatment.

Theft

December 6, 6:50 p.m., 6200 block Breezewood Court. A package was taken from the front stoop of a residence.

December 7, 5 p.m., 6000 block Springhill Drive. A package was taken from the front stoop of a residence.

December 12, 10:30 a.m., 6100 block Breezewood Court. A package was taken from the front stoop of a residence.

Trespass

December 5, 9:27 p.m. and December 8, 7:23 p.m., 6000 block Greenbelt Road. A 32-year-old nonresident was arrested twice for trespass after he was found on the grounds of Beltway Plaza after having been banned from the mall by agents of the property. The first time he was released on citation pending trial. The second time he was transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

December 7, 5:30 p.m., 6100 block Springhill Drive. A 33-year-old nonresident was arrested and charged with trespass after he was found on the grounds of Franklin Park Apartments after having been banned from the complex by agents of the property. He was released on citation pending trial.

Burglary

December 7, 3:30 p.m., 6100 block Springhill Terrace. Shoes and a video game player were taken after a residence was entered by breaking out a bedroom window.

Vandalism

December 12, 8:56 p.m., 1 Parkway. The living room window of a residence was broken

Vehicle Crime

Three vehicles were stolen. Two were Ford Escape SUVs, one black with Md. tags 1CY5481, taken from the 6200 block Breezewood Drive, and the other gold, taken from the 6100 block Springhill Terrace.

One vehicle was stolen after a passenger window was broken out and a driver's license and set of keys were taken. The keys were used a short time later to steal a nearby white 4-door 2017 Volkswagen Passat with Md. tags 5DF9518.

Two vehicles were recovered. A 2005 Cadillac Escalade SUV stolen December 5 from the 6100 block Breezewood Court was recovered December 12 by Annapolis city police in the 1900 block West Street.

A 2011 BMW 535 taken from the 6100 block Breezewood Court on December 12 was recovered by the owner the same day in the 7600 block Hanover Parkway. The owner saw it, occupied, in the 8500 block Greenbelt Road. It then was driven away and struck another vehicle in the process. It was then located, abandoned in the 7600 block Hanover Parkway.

Five thefts and one attempted theft were reported. Both side view mirrors were taken in the 200 block Lakeside Drive, rear tag, Md. 35255HT was taken from the 6900 block Hanover Parkway and clothing, shoes and a laptop computer were taken from the same vehicle in the 9100 block Springhill Lane.

A laptop computer, a camera and other computer equipment were taken from a possibly unlocked vehicle in the 7800 block Walker Drive.

Two instances of vandalism were reported. A gas tank was punctured in the 9000 block Breezewood Terrace and two tires were punctured in the 7900 block Mandan Road.

Porch Package Theft Warning

Thefts of packages from the front stoops of residences are on the increase. If it is not possible to be home at the time of delivery, consider having packages delivered to a trusted friend, neighbor or family member. Another option is to have packages delivered to a work place. Some area businesses also offer secured lockers for delivered parcels.

Follow the link cnet.com/how-to/ways-to-keep-packages-from-getting-stolen-off-yourporch/for additional suggestions on how to reduce the likelihood of package theft, especially during this holiday season.

The Department is offering a reward of up to \$1,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of a suspect in any of the unsolved crimes reported in the blotter.

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Missing Person

The Greenbelt Police Department is seeking assistance in locating missing person Litsy Marcela Escobar-Duran (pictured below). Escobar-Duran, 15, who resides in the 9100 block of Edmonston Terrace, was last seen on December 15 and is believed to have been headed to the Prince George's Mall in Hyattsville. She is described as an Hispanic female, 5'8", 150 pounds, with brown eyes and brown hair. She was last seen wearing a black-and-green North Face jacket and blue jeans. Anyone with information is asked to contact Detective Daniel Aguilar at 240-542-2137 or by email at daguilar@greenbeltmd.gov.



Litsy Marcela Escobar-Duran

Missing Person Found

Greenbelt police report that the missing person described in last week's issue of this newspaper has been located and she is safe.

Man Dies of Gun-Shot Wounds

Officers responded to reports of the sound of gunshots in the 9100 block Edmonston Road at approximately 8:26 p.m. on December 18. They located a man inside an apartment building suffering from an apparent gunshot wound. He was pronounced dead at the scene. He has been identified as Abdul Karim Thomas, 18, of Greenbelt.

Matthew Inzeo Receives County Lifesaving Award

by Stan Zirkin

On November 15, Corporal Matthew Inzeo, a Greenbelt resident and police officer with the Prince George's County Police Department, received a Lifesaving Award for his "exemplary performance and lifesaving measures" at a crime scene. The events that led to the award were described in the certificate presented to him by Chief of Police Henry P. Stawinski III.

On January 30, Inzeo received a call to investigate an alleged breaking and entering in Bowie. When he arrived on the scene he discovered that the suspect had been shot in the chest by the homeowner and was in critical condition. According to the department, Inzeo's "professional judgment and decisive actions . . . during this critical incident are directly responsible for saving the man's life."



Corporal Matthew Inzeo

Inzeo was named Officer of the Month in August 2017 by the county police department. That award was described in the September 14, 2017 issue of the News Review.



Holiday decorations at the Lake



Hooded mergansers, two males and a female, swim in the pond at Hanover Parkway and Ora Glen Drive.



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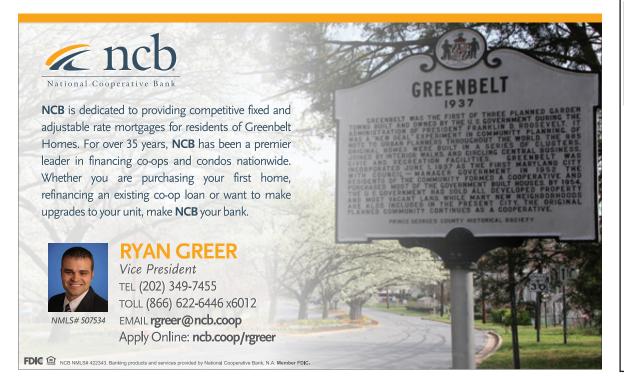
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Lessons from London Apply To Safe Cycling in Greenbelt

by Cathie Meetre

In London, a network of bicycle paths has appeared in the last two decades. Traveling across this large and busy city by bike has gone from a suicidal act in the early 90s to being practical and even preferred in 2018. Well sign-posted and thoughtfully laid out, bike paths that range from segregated cycle superhighways cutting four-lane swaths through Hyde Park and across Thames bridges past standstill cars to a ramble through the small garden squares of Chelsea. Cycling is now London's speediest commute and the number of bike commuters has skyrocketed.

Inevitably, cyclists do get killed or injured – as do pedestrians and even drivers - though the data show that danger per cycle mile, perhaps ironically, is less in London than in the countryside. But the new bike provisions separating bike lanes physically from traffic significantly reduce these dangers and turn boxes at intersections give cyclists priority over vehicular traffic, reducing the risk from being in the blind spot of left-turning London trucks or buses (right-turning in the U.S.). In other places in England (most notably the city of York) and in many cities in Holland, Germany and the Baltic States, similar bike-friendly approaches have led to increased cycling, fewer car miles and safer cycling.

How does this apply to Greenbelt? Though the city has im-

Refuge Offers Screech & Kestrel

On Saturday, December 22 from 12:15 to 12:45 p.m. the Patuxent Research Refuge, 10901 Scarlet Tanager Loop, Laurel, offers Screech and Kestrel. Meet two of North America's smallest birds of prey: the American kestrel and the eastern screech owl. Both expert hunters, the kestrel uses its acrobatic prowess while the screech owl is a stealthy silent hunter. This program is for all ages and no registration is needed.

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proved cycle provisions over the years, the amount of infrastructure investment has been limited and involves more line painting than the specific engineering and development of bike-safe cycleways or segregated lanes.

There are some excellent new bike paths but the notion of a bike plus pedestrian overpass link connecting the three main city areas remains a dream and the experiment of cycle commuting between, say, Roosevelt Center and the Metro station or between Greenbelt Lake and Goddard Space Flight Center, reveals that cycle lanes come and go.

Beltsville Agricultural Research Center, though not in the city, is attractive to Greenbelt cyclists for its shady byways and is a natural commuter route from Greenbelt to Goddard Space Flight Center – but narrow lanes like Beaver Dam Road have claimed Greenbelt lives in the past. Beaver Dam, in particular, is used by cars as a shortcut connecting Beltsville to Seabrook, though it knocks off only a few minutes compared to the slightly longer Powder Mill route. For some months during construction of the new bridge a few years ago, Beaver Dam was limited to local access. Though a minor inconvenience to motorists, who had to drive an extra half mile or so around the remainder of a rectangle including Powder Mill and Soil Conservation Roads, the freedom of risk to cyclists and the benefit as a recreational resource was significant.



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City Notes

The Community Center hosted an American Red Cross Blood

Many city employees helped with the Alice in Wonderland dance concert. Every performance was sold out.

Refuse/recycling crews collected 28.27 tons of refuse and 12.51 tons of recyclable material and assisted with construction of a native bee house.

Mom's Morning Out students learned about seasonal holiday celebrations and traditions.

The Aquatic & Fitness Center teamed up with the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve in collecting new, unwrapped toys to distribute to local families.

Preparations for the Greenbelt Youth Musical have begun with casting and costumes planning.

At the Community Center, Sylvie van Helden's show, The View Within and Without, is on display through January 4, with a new three-artist exhibition to follow featuring unusual family portraits.

Therapeutic Recreation sponsored a shopping trip for seniors. This month's destination was Columbia Mall. Gifts from the Heart donated over 30 scarves, hats and gloves to a local school.

U.S. Botanic Garden Hosts Women's Chorus

On Thursday, December 27 from 6 to 8 p.m. the Capital Accord Chorus will give a free holiday concert in the Conservatory Garden Court of the U.S. Botanic Garden. The Chorus is a women's singing group that performs fourpart harmony a capella in barbershop style. Limited seating; doors open about 6:30 p.m.





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